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SLANDER. DAND REVE. The slanderer stirred With a whispered word, Yet the noisy city is import heard.

And friends were dear, And lovers near, And the leaves of hope were shining clear.

Is yesterday, With its tender sighs and its laughter gay? With the poison fang, By the shameless tongue, The deep death-knell of all hopes were rung!

And the things grew, As they always, None caring to ask if they false or true, Alone! Alone! The friends have flown— How weary and old the heart has grown!

The laughter's fled, The heart is dead, And crowned with sorrow the innocent head! He washed from the soul so crushed with pain, Will the cruel stain Till death shall bring Its kinder sting, And the poor, tried heart stopped sorrowing.

Heaven sent! Death be a friend, And this cruel life soon have an end!

WHAT THE PRESS SAYS ABOUT THE ASSASSINATIONS.

Very General Condemnation of Governor Beveridge.

THE POINT REACHED. (Alton Telegraph.) The lawless condition of affairs in Williamson county has certainly reached a point where executive interference is necessary.

TO DO A GREAT RIGHT. (Jacksonville Journal.) Gov. Beveridge is reported to be unnecessarily tender to criminals; let him disprove this libel by vigorous action in calling to justice those guilty of these most heinous murders. To do a great right, let him dare to do a little wrong!

QUICKLY SLEEPING. (Cairo Gazette.) The assassination of about fifteen and the hanging of about ten Williamson county white men, has created an absolute reign of terror in Williamson and adjoining counties; but our Republican Governor remains serene, sleeping as quietly as passion is the breast of infamy.

AGREES. (State Journal.) We agree with the Cairo Bulletin that the Governor is bound by every consideration of humanity, as well as by official duty, to go to the extreme limit of his power in order to give peace and protection to a community now apparently overrun by lawless desperadoes.

BORROWING NO THOUGHT. (Quincy Herald.) Assassins continue to do their bloody work in Williamson county, and Governor Beveridge is enjoying himself at the Governor's Mansion and borrowing no trouble about a little thing like twenty-seven murders in the southern part of the State. It is probable that Beveridge is so busy fixing up his combination with Logan that he has no time to devote to measures to protect human life in Southern Illinois.

HAS AMPLE POWER. (Mound City Journal.) Why does not the Governor suppress the lawlessness in Williamson county? He has ample power and means. He could make legitimate use of the contingent fund in this way. He has been in the habit of using that fund as if it were his personal perquisite, so much in addition to his salary, which he has no more right to do than he has to break into his neighbor's bank at night and rob his vaults of the treasure there.

A MOST URGENT NEED. (Chicago Tribune.) There is the most urgent need of a hangman in Williamson county, Ill., and there is need of a Governor in Springfield with decision of character enough to have the laws so enforced that the hangman shall have something to do. The Russell-Bullfinch feud is a disgrace to the whole State of Illinois—a disgrace to the courts of the State, to the Government of the State, to the Governor of the State, and to the people of the State.

A DISGRACE. (Cincinnati Gazette.) These murders have been committed, bear in mind, not in Kentucky, or Arkansas, or Texas, where KuKlux go unpunished; but in the State of Illinois close to railroads and telegraphs, and within a few hours ride of the capital of the State, where the Governor complacently reads the reports of the bloody and brutal deeds, but takes no steps to suppress the crimes or punish the criminals. It is a disgrace to Illinois, and the Governor should take measures to bring the assassins to justice or resign his office.

SHOULD LOSE NO TIME. (Globe-Democrat.) That a nest of murderers and bandits should be able to perpetrate their sanguinary deeds and defiantly maintain themselves in the heart of a civilized and densely-populated State is a blot which Illinois cannot afford to bear upon her escutcheon, and she should lose no time in wiping away the stain. We believe Governor Beveridge will find in the Constitution of the State ample authority for his intervention, and the people at large will undoubtedly sustain him in his endeavor to drive out the ruffians who lord it over Williamson.

FIXING THE SLATE. (Visions Yeoman.) Affairs in Williamson county have come to such a pass as to render it impossible for the local authorities to discharge their duties. The Governor has been appealed to for aid. But the Governor, turns a deaf ear, and tells the officers to do their duty, when he knows, if he knows anything, that the authorities cannot do their duty, however willing they may be. Probably the Governor has no time to attend to such matters. He wants to be re-

ected Governor, or United States Senator, or probably Vice-President, or something else, and is devoting his time to "fixing up the slate" for next year's campaign. At all events he seems to have no time to devote to Williamson county.

A FITTING OCCASION. (Memphis Avalanche.) If a day pass in Williamson county, Illinois, without the assassination of some prominent citizen, the people congratulate themselves that "at least the naturalia of crime is at an end." The county is rapidly becoming depopulated by the process of mysterious murder and its effects. The Illinois newspapers "regret" this lamentable state of affairs which is credited to a "vendetta," while the Republican journals and orators sigh over the fact that as Williamson county is not in one of the Southern States it is impossible to charge these diabolical crimes upon the "ex-rebels" and construe them into hostility to the Government. This seems a fitting occasion to call the attention of the North to the fact that murder is a plant whose growth is much more rapid outside than inside the limits of the "late rebellious States."

The Innocent Old Lady. (Detroit Free Press.) She lives down on Baker street, and she has a daughter about eighteen years old. The old lady retains all her simplicity and innocence, and she doesn't go two cents on style. The other evening when a "splendid catch" called to escort the daughter to the opera the mother wouldn't take the hint to keep still, and wouldn't help carry out the daughter's idea that they had wealth. While helping her daughter get ready she asked: "Mary, are you going to wear the shoes with the heel off, or the pair with holes in 'em?"

Mary didn't seem to hear, and the mother inquired: "Are you going to wear that dollar gold chain that that washed looked, or will you wear the diamond father bought at the hardware store?"

Mary winked at her, and the young man blushed, but the old lady went on: "Are you going to wear the new Mrs. Brown's shawl or will you wear mine?"

Mary bustled around the room, and the mother said: "Be careful of your dress, Mary; you know it's the only one you've got, and you can't have another until the mortgage on this place is lifted."

Mary remarked to her escort that she promised to be a beautiful evening, and as she buttoned her glove, her mother asked: "Those are Mrs. Hardy's gloves, ain't they? She's been a good neighbor to us, and I don't know how you'd manage to go anywhere if she didn't live near us."

Mary was hurrying to get out of the room when the mother raised her voice once more and asked: "Did you run into Mrs. Jewett's and borrow her bracelet and fan? Yes, I see you did. Well, now, you look real nice, and I hope you will have a good time."

Mary sits by her window in the pale moonlight and sighs for the splendid young man who came and went and he hasn't been seen up that way since that night. The old lady, too, says that she seemed like a nice young man, and she hopes that he hasn't been killed by the street cars.

The Last Sad Rite. (Lexington Press, Aug. 5.) The remains of Gen. John C. Breckinridge were removed yesterday from the vault where they were placed at the time of his funeral and buried in a lot which his family have purchased since his death, in the Lexington Cemetery. The removal was made in the presence of his family and a few friends only, and was so quietly done that but few persons were aware of what was taking place until the change had been made. The lot purchased for this purpose is one of the most desirable in our beautiful cemetery, being the one which Robert Wickliffe early selected, but afterwards decided to the Orphan Asylum of this city. In this connection it may be well to say that the statement which has been going the rounds of the press, that Gen. Breckinridge had expressed the desire to be buried at Frankfort, is untrue. No such expression of feeling was ever made, nor has it been the intention of his family to place him anywhere but where he now rests. Hence to the ashes of the great, the brave, the pure statesman.

She Yielded. It was the twilight hour, and they were meandering over the execrable sidewalk on Veto street. He was blacker than the hags of clubs, and she could discount the ten-spot of spades.

"Susan, I love you!" he suddenly remarked. "Shoo! Go long!" she replied. "Susan, will you marry me?" he continued.

"Go long wid yu, Pete!" "If yer don't, I shall embrace de floatin' waters ob de dark river. Den de Coroner will haul me out an' sot on me; de'll plant me in de roses, an' de verdict will be 'Dat feller died ob a broken heart!'"

"You don't mean dat, Pete?" "I do, Susan!" "Den, Pete," she said, as she sighed heavily, "den is my dooty to marry yu to save yer life, an' de weddin' is to cum off in de Fall!"

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